

# State of North Carolina



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GOVERNOR

## EMPLOY A VET WEEK

2008

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

### A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, veterans in North Carolina represent a strong and productive part of the state's work force; and

WHEREAS, traditionally, many veterans released from service begin their civilian careers here in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, last year 83,638 veterans received some type of direct service and 22,883 veterans were placed in a job through the efforts of a local Employment Security Commission Office; and

WHEREAS, because these brave men and women have served with honor, they deserve the right and the opportunity to pursue quality employment at a competitive wage; and

WHEREAS, for more than 200 years, our communities and our state have been built with the help of veterans who served their country during peace and war to keep our democracy safe; and

WHEREAS, these courageous men and women have served with honor and give our citizens a sense of pride; and

WHEREAS, as employers and co-workers, it is not only appropriate, but also in our public and economic interest, to take advantage of this tremendous resource by providing employment opportunities to our veterans already in the work force, and to the number of veterans who are leaving the military; and

WHEREAS, veterans have valuable skills, learned both in military and civilian life; and

WHEREAS, they deserve the chance to put those skills to work here at home;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 9-15, 2008, as **"EMPLOY A VET WEEK"** in North Carolina and urge the employment of veterans by North Carolina businesses.



  
MICHAEL F. EASLEY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this third day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-third.